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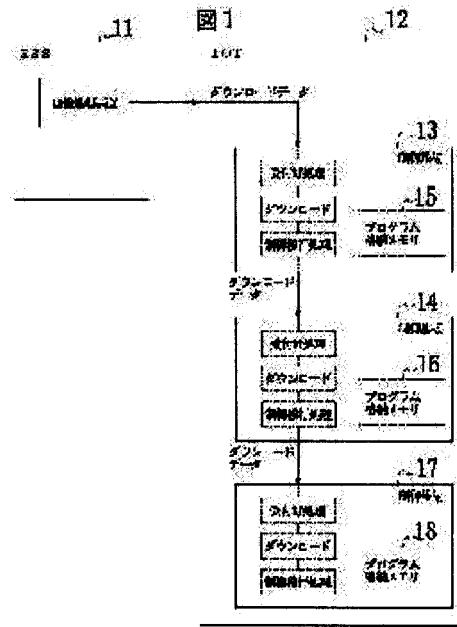
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(54) CONTROL SOFTWARE SPECIFICATION CHANGE SYSTEM

(57) Abstract:

PURPOSE: To change a control program by changing the specification of a control software by performing successive down load from high order to low order while connecting plural control boards constituting of an image output device part vertically when viewed from an image processor part.

CONSTITUTION: An image processor (ESS) 11 converts image data to image data in a prescribed format and transfers them to an image output device (IOT) 12. At the IOT 12, images are reproduced on recording paper and printed out based on the image data from the ESS 11. For the down load of the control software, control boards 13, 15 and 17 of the IOT 12 are connected vertically when viewed from the ESS 11. When a down load instruction is transmitted from a host device by down load to the control boards of the IOT 12, on the control boards 13, 15 and 17, successive receiving processing and down load processing are performed by the program of a boot ROM, and the control software is fetched and stored in memories 14, 16 and 18.



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